TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 2555 - SB 2715

February 24, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits an agency from increasing an existing administrative fee more than a prescribed amount through promulgation of a rule and requires any such change to occur through passage of legislation by the General Assembly.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed language would apply only to administrative fees charged by agencies.
- Fees charged by some boards, commissions, and entities are utilized to pay for the
 operation of such board, commission, or entity, with such fees typically instituted
 through promulgation of a rule.
- The proposed language would prevent agencies from increasing an existing administrative fee through rule promulgation if the amount of increase exceeds the lesser of: (1) five percent of the fee, or (2) the average annual rate of inflation for the immediately preceding calendar year.
- In the event an agency proposed to increase an existing administrative fee in an amount more than the prescribed amount, the increase would occur through legislative action.
- Requiring such administrative fee increases to occur through passage of legislation is not estimated to result in a significant increase in legislation filed in any given General Assembly nor a significant change to the administrative fees that would be established under current law; therefore any fiscal impact to state government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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